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## REMARKS

Claims 1-20 are pending and have been examined in the present application.

Applicant wishes to thank the Examiner for the indication of allowance of claims 1-4 and 6-20,

Applicant also wishes to thank the Examiner for the courtesy extended to Applicant's attorney during the telephone conference on October 13, 2009. During that telephone conference the outstanding rejection to claim 5 under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, was discussed. During the telephone conference, it was agreed that the rejection to claim 5 would be withdrawn with the filing of this Response because claim 5 was previously amended to include the wording suggested by the Examiner in paragraph 4 of the Office Action dated April 27, 2009. Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that claim 5 is also in condition for allowance.

In view of the above, Applicant respectfully submits that this application is in condition for allowance. Notification of which is respectfully requested.

Dated: October 13, 2009 Respectfully submitted,

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